

QA-171  
Fran-Bar Farm  
or Oak Dale  
Hope vicinity  
private

c. 1835-40  
and late 19th Century

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## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Oak Dale

AND/OR COMMON

Franklin Moore Farm

Fran-Bar Farm

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Hope Roe &amp; Fogwell Rds. (south corner)

CITY, TOWN

Centreville

Hope  
VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1st

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Queen Anne's

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

## PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED☒ not applicable

## STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

## ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

## PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ EDUCATIONAL☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

W. Franklin Moore, Jr.

Telephone #: 758-1625

STREET &amp; NUMBER

RFD#1, Box 104

CITY, TOWN

Centreville

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21617

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Queen Anne's County Courthouse

Liber #: CWC 102

Folio #: 324

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Court House Square

CITY, TOWN

Centreville

STATE

Maryland 21617

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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**CONDITION**

☐ EXCELLENT  
☒ GOOD  
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED  
☐ RUINS  
☐ UNEXPOSED

**CHECK ONE**

☐ UNALTERED  
☒ ALTERED

**CHECK ONE**

☒ ORIGINAL SITE  
☐ MOVED      DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Fran-Bar Farm is located in the sixth election district between the crossroads of Hope and Roe. It is also known by the names "Oak Dale" and the "Moore Farm".

The frame dwelling faces north, northwest and is composed of three sections: the tall thin Federal style "townhouse" three bays wide and two bays deep; a 3 bay two-story section on the south (or back) of the original; and an enclosed leanto porch on its south gable.

The oldest section stands on a tall brick foundation covered with whitewashed cement. The frame super structure is covered with brown wood shingles, probably contemporary with the front porch.

Turned posts and half posts with pierced brackets are the distinguishing features of the hip roof porch. The main facade has an entrance door on the east side and two windows to the west. All windows of this section have 9/6 sash on the first and second stories and 6/6 on the third. In the foundation are boarded up windows beneath those of the first story. All windows have or had wide trim and ovolo molding. Only the three windows

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## CONTINUATION SHEET

## 7.1 DESCRIPTION

of the second story facade retain louvered blinds.

The steeply pitched 'A' roof is devoid of dormers. Only the two large brick chimneys pierce the roof, on the west side of the house. Between the chimneys are two windows on all four levels. The east side of the building is identical except that the distance between the windows is greater than the west.

The back or south, southwest facade has only one window visible on the two floors. Beneath these windows is a basement bulkhead/entrance. The other portion of the back facade is concealed by the two story frame wing.

Overlapping the original house to the east, the frame kitchen wing is one room in depth and three bays long. It, too, is built on a concrete-covered brick foundation, lower than the front. The walls are covered with vinyl siding, but were originally whitewashed weatherboard. The east facade has a central door between the two windows with 6/6 sash and louvered aluminum blinds. On the small area of wall facing north, northwest is a window on each story. The west side of the wing has a double window in the kitchen and a small casement in the bath.

The final section was a leanto porch and is now enclosed with vinyl siding and windows.

## CONTINUATION SHEET

## 7.2 DESCRIPTION

From the form of the building it is evident that it is a side passage and two parlor plan. Less evident is the layout of the wing. Prior to recent remodeling, it consisted of two rooms, the kitchen on the south and living room on the north. In the southwest corner of the kitchen was an enclosed stair, which remains. The old kitchen was divided into laundry and bath. The new kitchen is now located in the former living room.

The passage between kitchen and front hall is beneath the main stair. The open string stair ascends on the east side of the hall, turns and ascends a second flight to the second story. Its balustrade has plain turned newels and rectangular balusters and a typical Federal handrail. Beneath the stair is a 6-panel door to the basement. The door has a bead around the shallow raised panels.

Door and window trim is an angular form with corner blocks. The north, or front, parlor has a plain, but well designed mantel with pilasters below scrolled brackets, which in turn flank a large panel and support the molded shelf. The molding of the shelf is a "Gothic" type molding so typical of the period.

The south parlor has a similar mantel, but it lacks the brackets. South of the chimney breast is a closet which replaces a cupboard (the pieces are now in the attic). There is an original door connecting the two

## CONTINUATION SHEET

## 7.3 DESCRIPTION

parlors.

On the second and third stories the plan is the same, with the addition of a small room above the front door.

To the southwest of the house, on the edge of a drop to German Branch is a small cemetery containing the graves of Joseph R. Turpin (1804-1840) and his two sons, Nathan and Thomas who died at ages 18 and 12 respectively. Walter D. Hardcastle (1808-1869) and Elizabeth Baynard Hardcastle (1811-1873) have markers also.

Just southeast of the back corner of the house stands a small brick meathouse or smokehouse with very steep 'A' roof. It is laid in common bond (1-6) and the three upper courses are corbeled to meet the roof. Over the door (west gable) is a rough jack arch. The door itself is composed of vertical beaded boards on the exterior with horizontal beaded boards on the interior. There is an overall pattern of nails about three inches on center.

Its roof is composed of four sets of rafters seated on a board false plate which extends over the four joists. The lower tie beams are half-dove-tailed and pinned. The upper ones are nailed to the face of the rafters. There is a brick floor.

Within the complex of barns stands a large granary

## CONTINUATION SHEET

## 7.4 DESCRIPTION

composed of two two-story corn cribs with grain storage between. The corn cribs are covered with vertical slats and the remainder is covered with board and batten. The Granary has two floors. The framing is similar to the barn at Woodlawn in Centreville.

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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According to tradition, the frame wing originally stood south of the house and housed the help. It was moved up to the present location about 100 years ago.

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## 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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## 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

## 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Michael O. Bourne, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Queen Anne's County Historical Society

DATE

7/18/83

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Centreville

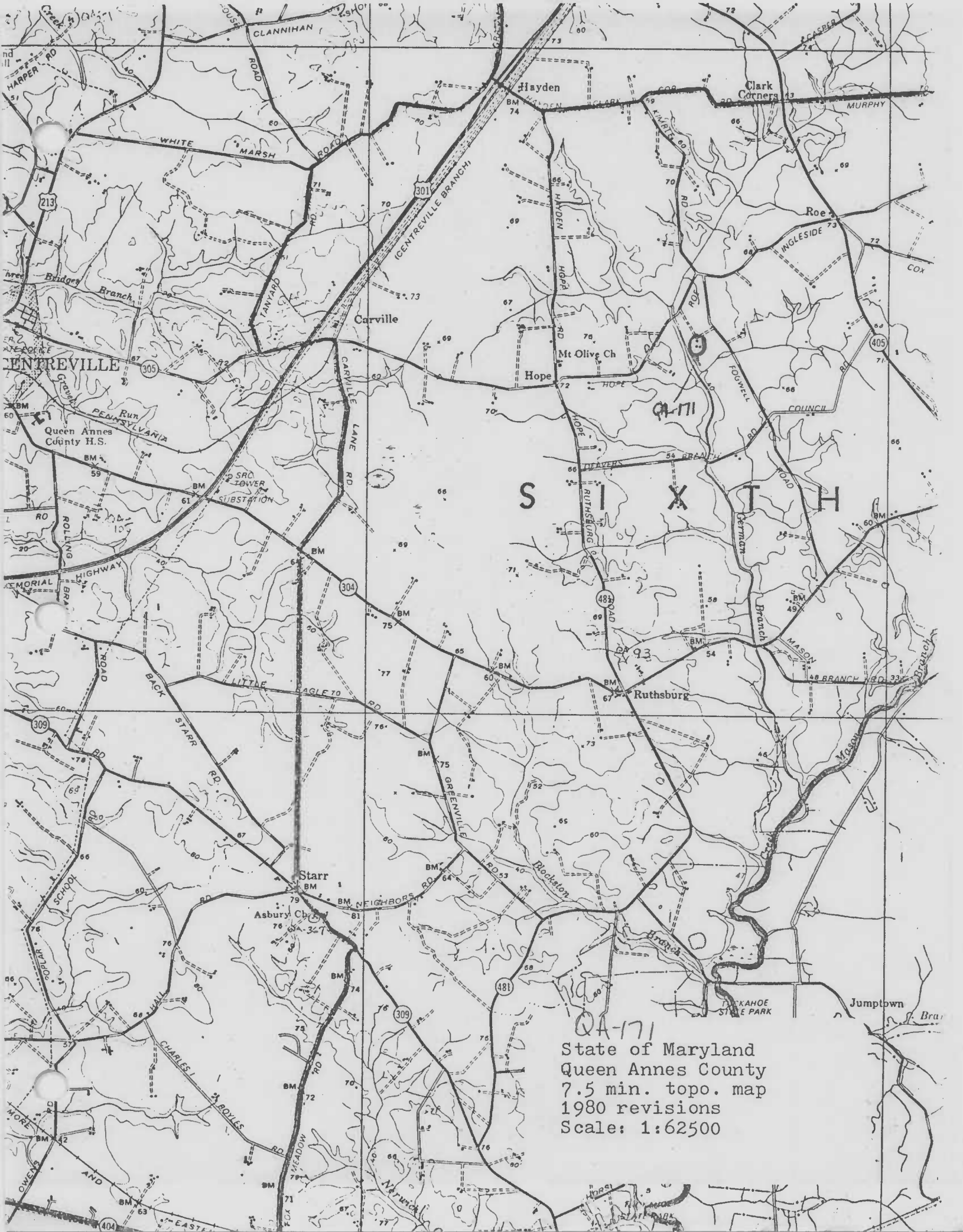
STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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State of Maryland  
Queen Annes County  
7.5 min. topo. map  
1980 revisions  
Scale: 1:62500



QA-171 Franklin Moore Farm  
Hope vicinity  
James W. Valliant, April 1974  
View from West



QA-171 Franklin Moore  
Farm  
Northeast

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Franklin Moore

Farm

Smoke House

West

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